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Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b) is a nonprovisional patent application:

For (Title): LINEAR PERFLUOROPOLYETHERS HAVING AN IMPROVED
THERMOOXIDATIVE STABILITY

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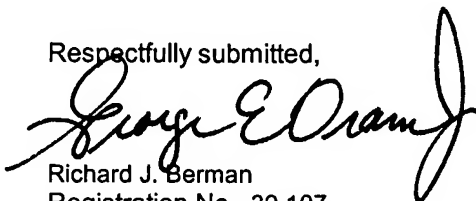
- ☒ 26 pages of Specification/Claims 1-14/Abstract are attached.
- ☒ A Declaration and Power of Attorney is attached.
- ☒ An assignment of the invention to SOLVAY SOLEXIS S.p.A is attached, along with Form PTO-1595 and a check for \$40.00.
- ☒ A Preliminary Amendment is attached.
- ☒ Priority of foreign application No. MI2003 A 000372 filed March 3, 2003 in Italy is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.
- ☒ A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application is attached.

The filing fee is calculated below and includes claim status after entry of any Preliminary Amendment noted above:

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| FOR: | NO. FILED | NO. EXTRA | RATE | FEE | OR | RATE | FEE |
| BASIC FEE | | | | \$ 385 | OR | | \$ 770 |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 14 - 20 | = 0 | x 9 = | \$ | OR | x 18 | \$ |
| INDEP CLAIMS | 1 - 3 | = 0 | x 43 = | \$ | OR | x 86 | \$ |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIMS | | | +145 = | \$ | OR | +290 | \$ |
| | | | TOTAL | \$ | OR | TOTAL | \$ 770 |

- ☒ A check in the amount of \$810 (\$770 for the filing fee and \$40 for the Assignment Recordation Fee) is attached. Please charge any fee deficiency or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 01-2300.

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